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Additional Cases of COVID-19 Identified in Tuolumne County

The Public Health Department was notified late last night of two additional presumptive positive COVID-19 cases in Tuolumne County residents. One is an 81-year-old female and the other is 91-year-old female. Both cases are isolating at home.

Both individuals are linked to the case identified on June 3rd. These 3 most recent cases are not associated with a congregate living facility.

This week presented the second community case in which no travel outside the county occurred. Based on our ongoing investigations, it is presumed that we have community transmission in Tuolumne County.

Testing: Public Health recommends that individuals who participate in gatherings with people outside of their household, including those which are constitutionally protected, get tested 3-5 days after the gathering. Those who work in essential critical infrastructure jobs and those who travel outside of their home county, should also get tested routinely. No-cost testing is available at the state testing site in Angels Camp.

In addition to the activities outlined in local and State Health Officer Orders and other guidance materials issued by the <u>CDC</u> and <u>California</u> Department of Public Health, individuals can continue to take the following actions to help to prevent acquiring or spreading COVID-19:

- Practice physical distancing. Keep 6 feet between you and others who are not part of your household
- Wear a mask if you are unable to maintain 6 feet physical distance when you are in public
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds
- Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay home if you are sick
- Clean surfaces that are touched often, like toys, doorknobs, phones, etc.
